

his service to our nation and in congratulating him on the occasion of his retirement. I believe that public service is among the highest of callings and Andy is the epitome of a dedicated civil servant. I thank him for his contributions, and extend to him my very best wishes for continued success in his future endeavors.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BETO O'ROURKE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 21, 2018

Mr. O'ROURKE. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably absent from the Chamber on Friday,

June 15, 2018. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay" on Roll Call votes 267 and 268.